

Report of East North East Area Leader**Report to Inner North East Area Committee****Date: 18th June 2012****Subject: Environmental sub group minutes**

Are specific electoral Wards affected?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): Chapel Allerton, Moortown and Roundhay		
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:		

Summary of main issues

1. This report has the minutes from the Inner North East Area Committee Environmental sub group on 17th May 2012 attached for information.
2. It also includes appendixes with the group's approved Terms of Reference and derelict sites agreed for action for the Inner North East.

Recommendations

3. The Inner North East Area Committee is asked to note the contents of the report, minutes and appendixes.

1 Purpose of this report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform members of the issues discussed at the Environment sub-group. The minutes will be brought to Area Committee meetings as a regular agenda item, including any relevant appendixes.

2 Background information

- 2.1 The Inner North East Environmental sub group takes place six times a year and follows the Area Committee cycle. They are chaired by the current Chair of the Area Committee.
- 2.2 Meetings are attended by one nominated member from each of the three wards, Chapel Allerton, Moortown and Roundhay, the ENE Locality Manager (Street Cleansing and Enforcement), the Area Officer and invited guests according to the schedule.
- 2.3 Agenda items focus on issues relating to the delegated Environmental Service and any other services or issues that can be influenced by, or have an impact on, Area Committees and the local area.

3 Main issues

- 3.1 Following recommendations that Area Committees should have Environmental sub-groups to drive forward the Environmental delegation and other related work in the area it was agreed by the Chair that their minutes should be a regular agenda item for Area Committee meetings.
- 3.2 Environmental sub-group minutes will only be available to be considered by Area Committees once they have been agreed as an accurate record by the Chair of the sub-group.
- 3.3 The minutes of the meeting from 17th May 2012 are attached at Appendix 1. Key items that were discussed include the new Environmental Action Zones and grass cutting contract.
- 3.4 The meeting agreed some slight amendments to the Terms of Reference, which are attached at appendix 2 for information.
- 3.5 The process for dealing with derelict and eyesore sites was outlined at the meeting and the current sites in Inner North East being tackled are attached at appendix 3. Additional sites of The Mansion, Meanwood in the Woodleas estate and the building on the left of Meanwood Park car park, at the far side from the entrance, were also raised and are being investigated.
- 3.6 It was also agreed that Community Payback referrals will be included on ward trackers and ginnels maps taken to the next ward members meetings by EAT.
- 3.7 The meeting also agreed a forward plan of invitees and the proposed dates and schedule for 2012/13 are:

ENVIRONMENTAL SUB GROUP (EAT to attend every meeting)
2012
17 th May @ 2pm Theme: EIZs and Empty Properties
2 nd Aug @ 2pm Theme: Children's Services
14 th Sept @ 2pm Theme: Police (usually May)
8 th Nov @ 10am Theme: Grounds Maintenance & Parks and Countryside
2013
20 th Dec @ 2pm Theme: Probation (review SLA) & East North East Homes Leeds
7 th Feb @ 2pm Theme: Community

4 Corporate Considerations

4.1 Consultation and Engagement

- 4.1.1 There is no formal consultation relating to the sub group, but it is in the plan for February to focus on local community groups. Local groups are also able to influence the environmental priorities of the area through the regular consultation carried out under the Area Committee's Engagement Plan.

4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

- 4.2.1 There are no equality and diversity issues in relation to this report.

4.3 Council Policies and City Priorities

- 4.3.1 The Council's Constitution was amended, approved at Executive Board in March 2011 and ratified at the Annual Council meeting held on 26th May 2011, to include the environmental services delegation within the Area Committee Function Schedule. This sub group acts as the monitoring forum for that delegation in the first instance.

4.4 Resources and Value for Money

- 4.4.1 There are no resource implications as a result of this report.

4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

- 4.5.1 There are no legal implications or access to information issues. In line with the Council's Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rules, all decisions taken by Area Committees are not eligible for Call In.

4.6 Risk Management

4.6.1 There are no risk management issues relating to this report.

5 Conclusions

5.1 The Area Committee will receive copies of the Environmental sub-group minutes .

6 Recommendations

6.1 The Inner North East Area Committee is asked to note the contents of the report and to consider the minutes from the Environmental sub group on 17th May 2012.

7 Background documents

7.1 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 26th May 2011

7.2 Council Constitution